Mr. T. M. Krishna Menon.—Vide statement appended. (*Appendix III.*)

Scheme for the diversion of the Manali and Kurumali rivers.

22. Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) how far the scheme for the diversion of the waters of the Manali and the Kurumali rivers has progressed and what are the reports of the Special Irrigation Officer and the Chief Engineer about this and what are the reasons for not taking up the work last year;

(b) has the Diwan received any petition, dated 7th Mithunam 1104, from the inhabitants of Irinjalakkuda and neighbouring villages pointing out the necessity of a canal by the side of the Irinjalakkuda market; and if so, what is it and what action is taken on the same?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.— (a) Estimates for the diversion of the Manali river at Marathakara and the Karuvannur river at Palakkadavu were prepared before the abnormal floods of 1104. After the floods, it was found advisable to revise them. Also it is proposed to take up these works after watching the effect of the diversion from the Muriyad lake which will be useful for navigation also.

(b) Yes. It is for a canal by the side of the Irinjalakkuda market connecting the Muriyad lake with Kakkathuruthi. An estimate for the same has been prepared. The matter is being considered by the Government.

Joint Stock Companies.

23. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

1. (a) the total number of Joint Stock Companies in the State;

(b) the number of Registrars of Joint Stock Companies in the State;

2. (a) whether the Cochin Tanneries Ltd, have filed with the Registrar the balance sheet and the report of the general meeting of the last two years; if not, when was the last general meeting held;

(b) whether any action was taken against the Directors for default; if so, what action?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—1. (a) 160 at the close of 1104.

(b) One Registrar and seven Assistant Registrars including that of Cranganur.

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